

Report from District Councillor K Davies.

November 2025.

Local Information:

I met up with the Pavilion management and Chulmleigh Girls football teams celebrating the use of their new goals which was partially funded through my Community Grant. This was also an opportunity to revisit the new Studio Space. This is being used by the football teams to serve refreshments during practice and games. A real delight to see such energy and enthusiasm, as well as some excellent football play.

Residents in Fore Street have been given a written reminder about putting out bins/ waste - this must be done on the Thursday evening or early on the Friday of collection day. Waste put out before is regarded as fly tipping. To assist those residing around the War Memorial/ Cobbles NDC has been provided 2no. new wheelie bins so that black bags can be safely stored prior to collection. This is being monitored.

I am not aware of any active planning enforcement case in Chulmleigh centre. There are numerous cases being processed in Burrington Ward including along the A377/ Umberleigh. These primarily relate to non-authorised dwellings.

Urgent / Important Information:

Parish Forum – Wed 5 November 2025 (6:30pm-8:30pm)

The next Parish Forum is taking place this week.... And it's not too late to book!

There are still some places left – AND you can attend virtually via Teams!

We will be covering – Local Government Reorganisation, Planning enforcement, Members' Code of Conduct, and Parish & Town 'Clustering'.

If you want to attend please contact memberservices@northdevon.gov.uk by noon on Wednesday 5 November and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Decisions of note: Decisions taken at [Strategy and Resources 6 Oct 2025](#)

Lynbridge Car Park, Lynton

In April 2022 a report was taken to Strategy and Resources Committee to consider the future of Lynbridge car park following the closure of the car park in February 2022 on health and safety grounds. Strategy and Resources 6 Oct 2025 considered a report regarding an update on the situation.

S&R resolved that the car park be permanently de-commissioned and that the exact nature of this be delegated to the Head of Place, Property and Regeneration in consultation with the Ward Member to ensure the optimum solution was found that keeps the entire area safe and minimises the cost to the Council.

Ilfracombe Sea Pool

An internal health and safety advice report by the Health and Safety Advisor had been circulated to the Committee and had been published as a supplementary document. The report included key considerations to be taken into account such as: hazards; should the pool be capable of being permanently flooded and emptied; profile; water quality; and lifeguarding. It also included options to consider such as: opening the sea pool area for public swimming and recreation; opening the sea pool area for structured, organised and competent groups only; continue to prohibit the sea pool as a swimming area. Lifeguards were required to be positioned no more than 20 seconds from the furthest point requiring intervention.

S&R resolved that having regard to the information set out in the report and having considered (a) to (d) that the area remains as it is at present with additional signage, identified hazards clearly publicised and the removal of debris and areas of entrapment to mitigate risks as referred to in the report.

Section 106 Allocations:

[Agenda for Strategy and Resources Committee on Monday, 6th October, 2025, 10.00 am | North Devon Council](#)

Town:	Link to decision:
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Braunton	£6077.22 to Braunton Football Club
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Bishops Tawton	£10,422 to Parish Council for the Stanley Verney Play area
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Consultations:

Port Marine Safety Code

North Devon Council owns three marine facilities: Fremington Quay, Castle Quay, and Rolle Quay.

In April 2025, a new Port and Marine Facility Safety Code was introduced. These Quays have been identified as full Marine Facilities in accordance with the Code.

If North Devon Council retains these marine facilities, the council will be required to undertake annual audits of these facilities and confirm compliance to the Department for Transport. The Council will also be required to:

- Appoint a Designated Person - a nominated person who provides independent assurance about the operation of the organisation's marine safety management system and has direct access to the Duty Holder
- Nominate a management department / determine which department or departments within the organisation that the 'day to day' management of the Marine Facilities will fall to.
- Have written procedures for maintenance of the facilities and cleaning schedule
- Ensure that they are fit for purpose with adequate lighting, lifesaving equipment in place, all access / egress ladders are compliant with industry standards, and the marine facilities slipways and access to quay edges are in good repair.

An audit has been undertaken and none of the Marine Facilities are currently compliant with the code.

Feedback is being sought from those who use Fremington Quay, Castle Quay, and Rolle Quay. That feedback will assist us to develop a strategy for how we can plan for the future use of the quays.

The consultation is open until 5 January 2025: [Port Marine Safety Code | Let's Talk North Devon](#)

The following press releases have been issued:

Press releases are available on the NDC website at: [News | North Devon Council](#)